

BEFORE
THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF
SOUTH CAROLINA
DOCKET NO. 2007-193-C – ORDER NO. 2007-503
JULY 18, 2007

IN RE: Petition of FTC Communications, Inc. d/b/a) ORDER GRANTING
FTC Wireless for Designation as an Eligible) CONFIDENTIAL
Telecommunications Carrier) TREATMENT

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission) on the request of FTC Communications, Inc. d/b/a FTC Wireless (FTCC or the Company) for protection of certain material filed in this docket. FTCC requests that the Company's Revised Two-Year Plan to the Company's Petition for Designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier filing be held as proprietary information and be protected from public disclosure.

On May 9, 2007, FTCC filed with the Commission a petition seeking designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier. With its petition, FTCC filed the Company's Two-Year Plan for improvements and upgrades to the Company's wireless network and moved for protection from this Commission of its Two-Year Plan. FTCC asserted in its motion that the Company's Two-Year Plan contained highly confidential and sensitive information of a proprietary nature dealing with site selections and acquisition costs, build out costs, maintenance and upgrade costs to the network, and current service levels with projections for future service deployment. The Commission found the material to be of a proprietary nature as averred by FTCC and by Order No. 2007-400, dated June 4,

2007, the Commission granted FTCC's motion for confidential treatment of the Company's Two Year Plan.

On July 2, 2007, FTCC filed a Revised Two-Year Plan and requests the Commission preserve the confidentiality of the information contained in the Company's Revised Two-Year Plan under the protection granted in Order No. 2007-400. FTCC filed its Revised Two-Year Plan in separate and sealed envelopes clearly marked "confidential."

The South Carolina Freedom of Information Act ("FOIA") allows exemption from disclosure proprietary business information that meets a definition of "trade secrets." S.C. Code Ann. Section 30-4-40(a)(1) states that matters which may be exempt from FOIA include: "(1) Trade secrets, which are defined as unpatented, secret, commercially valuable plans, appliances, formulas, or processes....Trade secrets also include, for those public bodies who market services or products in competition with others, feasibility, planning, and marketing studies, and evaluations and other materials which contain references to potential customers, competitive information or evaluation." We find that the information contained in FTCC's Revised Two-Year Plan for which the Company seeks protection as confidential meets the definition of "trade secrets" as defined under FOIA, and therefore, we grant FTCC's request.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

1. The request of FTC Communications, Inc. d/b/a FTC Wireless for protection is granted. Accordingly, the Revised Two-Year Plan filed with the

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Commission is granted confidential treatment and shall be maintained under seal and withheld from public disclosure.

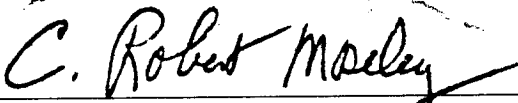
2. This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further Order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:



G. O'Neal Hamilton, Chairman

ATTEST:



C. Robert Moseley, Vice Chairman

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